Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as indicated below. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings, of claims in the application:

Corrected Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method for a first class mail piece tracking provider to provide, to a plurality of customers of the first class mail piece tracking provider, tracking of individual outbound first class mail pieces respectively initiated in a mail stream by respective customers of the plurality of customers, said method implemented using a computer-based postage system programmed for operation on behalf of the first class mail piece tracking provider, said computer-based postage system available for communication with each respective customer of the plurality of customers, said method comprising the computer-based postage system programmed for:

using the computer-based postage system for recording a plurality of mailing tracking subscriber identifiers assigned by a postal authority to the first class mail piece tracking provider, the plurality of mailing tracking subscriber identifiers corresponding to an authorization by the postal authority to the first class mail piece tracking provider to create machine-readable tracking graphic symobolgies, separate from postage indicia, for tracking first class mailings that bear machine-readable tracking graphic symobolgies created in accordance with the authorization by the postal authority to the first class mail piece tracking provider;

using the computer-based postage system for receiving, from a particular customer of the plurality of customers of the first class mail piece tracking provider, a request for postage indicia to mail a particular first class mail piece to a delivery address, wherein the request from the particular customer to mail the particular first class mail piece comprises an indication by the particular customer to provide tracking of the particular first class mail piece;

using the computer-based postage system for determining a delivery address identifier corresponding to the delivery address;

using the computer-based postage system for identifying from the plurality of mailing tracking subscriber identifiers, a next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier;

using the computer-based postage system for identifying a next available mailing identifier;

using the computer-based postage system for testing a first class mail piece tracking identifier comprising a combination of a destination tracking service type, the next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier, the next available mailing identifier, and the delivery address identifier corresponding to the delivery address, to determine whether the first class mail piece tracking identifier would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time;

for a first class mail piece tracking identifier that would not trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time, using the computer-based postage system for modifying at least one of the next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier and the next available mailing identifier, until determining a combination of a destination tracking service type, the next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier, the next available mailing identifier, and the delivery address identifier corresponding to the delivery address, to comprise a first class mail piece tracking identifier that would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time in accordance with the authorization by the postal authority to the first class mail piece tracking provider for tracking first class mailings;

for a first class mail piece tracking identifier that would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time:

using the computer-based postage system for assigning the first class mail piece tracking identifier to the particular first class mail piece, wherein the first class mail piece tracking identifier trackably identifies the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time;

using the computer-based postage system for creating a machine-readable tracking graphic symbology, separate from postage indicia, comprising the first class mail piece tracking identifier; and

using the computer-based postage system for relating the first class mail piece tracking identifier to the particular customer of the plurality of customers.

2.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, said method further comprising:
using the computer-based postage system for facilitating fixing the machine-readable tracking graphic symbology in a visual medium, said visual medium adapted for physical association with the particular first class mail piece.

3.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 2, said method further comprising:
physically associating the machine-readable tracking graphic symbology fixed in the visual medium with the particular first class mail piece.

4.   (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 2, said method further comprising:
using the computer-based postage system for accessing a plurality of electronic mail piece tracking identifier representations presented by the postal authority, each electronic mail piece tracking identifier representation of the plurality of electronic mail piece tracking identifier representations corresponding to one scanned first class mail piece tracking identifier of a plurality of scanned first class mail piece tracking identifiers produced in accordance with the authorization by the postal authority to the first class mail piece tracking provider for tracking first class mailings;
using the computer-based postage system for receiving from the particular user, a request for tracking information regarding the particular first class mail piece;
using the computer-based postage system for searching the plurality of electronic mail piece tracking identifier representations for an electronic mail piece tracking identifier that matches the first class mail piece tracking identifier that trackably identifies the particular first class mail piece;
for an electronic mail piece tracking identifier that matches the first class mail piece tracking identifier that trackably identifies the particular first class mail piece, using

the computer-based postage system for reporting to the particular user, tracking information associated with the electronic mail piece tracking identifier; and

for ~~an electronic mail piece tracking identifier~~ the first class mail piece tracking identifier that trackably identifies the particular first class mail piece for which no match is found, using the computer-based postage system for reporting an indication that there is no tracking information available for the particular first class mail piece.

5.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1 wherein the first class mail piece tracking identifier further comprises:

a service type.

6.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 5 wherein the delivery address identifier is obtained from Internet-based postage delivery address information.

7.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, the method further comprising:

using the computer-based postage system for formatting the machine-readable tracking graphic symbology as a bar code, for print rendering as a label for the particular first class mail piece.

8.   (Currently Amended) A computer program product, comprising a computer-readable medium having a computer-readable program code embodied therein, said computer-readable program code adapted to be executed to implement a method for printably rendering a trackable mail piece identifier graphic symbology, said method comprising:

testing a first combination of a destination tracking service type, a next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier, a next available mailing identifier, and a delivery address identifier corresponding to a delivery address, to determine whether the first combination would trackably identify a particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time;

for a first combination that would not trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time, modifying at least one of the next

available mailing tracking subscriber identifier and the next available mailing identifier, until determining a trackable combination of the destination tracking service type, the next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier, the next available mailing identifier, and the delivery address identifier, to comprise a first class mail piece tracking identifier that would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time in accordance with an authorization by the postal authority to the first class mail piece tracking provider for tracking first class mailings;

for a trackable combination that would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time:

encoding [[a]]the destination tracking service type as an encoded destination tracking service type;

encoding [[a]]the next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier as an encoded mailing subscriber identifiercorresponding to a mailing subscriber identifier of a plurality of mailing subscriber identifiers assigned by a postal authority to a first class mail piece tracking provider, wherein each mailing subscriber identifier of the plurality of mailing subscriber identifiers corresponds to an authorization to the first class mail piece tracking provider by the postal authority for creating machine-readable tracking barcodes, separate from postage indicia, for tracking first class mailings that bear machine-readable tracking barcodes created in accordance with the authorization by the postal authority to the first class mail piece tracking provider;

encoding [[a]]the mailing identifier as an encoded mailing identifier, the encoded mailing identifier comprising an encoding of a mailing identifier corresponding to a particular customer user of a plurality of customer users of the first class mail piece tracking provider;

encoding [[a]]the delivery address identifier as an encoded delivery address identifiercorresponding to a delivery address to which the particular customer user has requested destination tracking of a particular first class mail piece;

creating an encoded first class mail piece tracking identifier comprising a combination of the encoded destination tracking service type, the encoded mailing subscriber identifier, the encoded mailing identifier, and the encoded delivery address identifier corresponding to the delivery address, wherein the encoded first class mail

piece tracking identifier trackably identifies the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time in accordance with the authorization by the postal authority to the first class mail piece tracking provider for tracking first class mailings and that is associated with the particular customer user; and

formatting for print-rendering, a machine-readable tracking barcode, exclusive of postage indicia, the machine-readable tracking barcode comprising the encoded first class mail piece tracking identifier.

9. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of Claim 8, said method further comprising:

before formatting the machine-readable tracking barcode:

encoding as an encoded service type identifier, a service type identifier, wherein the delivery address identifier is trackably unique during a particular period of time, within a combination of the encoded service type identifier, the encoded mailing subscriber identifier and the encoded mailing identifier; and

creating the first class mail piece tracking identifier comprising a combination of the encoded destination tracking service type, the encoded mailing subscriber identifier, the encoded mailing identifier, the encoded delivery address identifier corresponding to the delivery address, and the encoded service type identifier.

10. (Currently Amended) A method of encoding a trackable first class mail piece identifier as a graphic symbology, said method comprising:

receiving, by a computer, a request by a particular customer user of a plurality of customer users of a computer-based postage provider to print computer-based postage for a particular first class mail piece for mailing the particular first class mail piece to a particular delivery address, wherein the request to print computer-based postage comprises an indication by the particular customer user to track the particular first class mail piece;

assigning, by the computer, a tracking identifier to correspond to the particular customer user and to trackably correspond to the particular first class mail piece,

~~wherein the tracking identifier trackably identifies the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time,~~ wherein the tracking identifier comprises a mailing subscriber identifier corresponding to an authorization to the computer-based postage provider by a postal authority for the computer-based postage provider to create machine-readable first class mailing tracking graphic symbologies, separate from postage indicia, for tracking first class mailings, in accordance with the authorization by the postal authority, the tracking identifier further comprising a mailing identifier, and a delivery address identifier~~, wherein the delivery address identifier is trackably unique within a combination of the mailing subscriber identifier and the mailing identifier during a period of time~~;

testing, by the computer, the tracking identifier to determine if the combination of the mailing subscriber identifier, the mailing identifier and the delivery address identifier would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time;

for the tracking identifier that would not trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time, modifying, by the computer, at least one of the mailing subscriber identifier or the mailing identifier until the combination of the mailing subscriber identifier, the mailing identifier and the delivery address identifier comprises a tracking identifier that would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time;

for the tracking identifier that would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time:

encoding, by the computer, the tracking identifier as a machine-readable graphic symbology, separate from computer-based postage indicia, in accordance with the authorization by the postal authority, said machine-readable graphic symbology adapted for fixing in a visual medium that is adapted for physical association with the particular first class mail piece; and

saving, by the computer, in a memory storage accessible by the computer, a relationship between the tracking identifier and the particular customer user.

Claim 11.   (Cancelled).

12.   (Currently Amended) The method of encoding a unique mail piece identifier as a graphic symbology of Claim 10, wherein encoding the tracking identifier as a graphic symbology comprises encoding, by the computer, the tracking identifier as a machine-readable bar code.

13.   (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method for tracking individual outbound first class mail pieces, said method implemented using a computer-based postage system, said method comprising:

using the computer-based postage system for receiving a postage printing request from a particular customer user of a plurality of customer users using a computer-based postage provider, said postage printing request comprising a request for computer-based postage indicia for mailing a particular first class mail piece to a delivery address, the request from the particular user for computer-based postage indicia for mailing the particular first class mail piece further comprising an indication by the particular user to provide tracking of the particular first class mail piece;

using the computer-based postage system for determining a delivery address identifier corresponding to the delivery address;

using the computer-based postage system for formulating a next available first class mail piece identifier that would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time, said next available first class mail piece identifier comprising a trackable combination of:

a destination tracking service type,

a next available mailing subscriber identifier corresponding to an authorization to the computer-based postage provider by a governmental postal authority for the computer-based postage provider to generate for customer users of the computer-based postage provider, machine-readable, graphic symbologies, apart from computer-based postage indicia, representing tracking identifiers for first class mail pieces,

a next available mailing identifier, and

the delivery address identifier corresponding to the delivery address;

using the computer-based postage system for testing the next available first class mail piece identifier to determine if the combination of the destination tracking service type, the next available mailing subscriber identifier, the next available mailing identifier and the delivery address identifier would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time;

for the next available first class mail piece identifier that would not trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time, using the computer-based postage system for modifying the next available mailing subscriber identifier and the mailing identifier until the combination of the destination tracking service type, the next available mailing subscriber identifier, the next available mailing identifier and the delivery address identifier would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time;

for the next available first class mail piece identifier that would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time:

using the computer-based postage system for encoding the next available first class mail piece identifier as a machine-readable graphic symbology; and

using the computer-based postage system for storing in a computer-accessible memory, an association between the particular customer user and the next available first class mail piece identifier.

Claim 14.   (Cancelled).

15.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 13 wherein the machine-readable graphic symbology comprises a one-dimensional bar-code.

16.   (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 13, said method further comprising:
        using the computer-based postage system for responding to an indication by the particular customer user to print the machine readable graphic symbology by transmitting for printing the machine-[[ ]]readable graphic symbology.

17.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 16, said method further comprising:

using the computer-based postage system for generating for printing, computer-based postage indicia in accordance with the postage printing request.

18.   (Currently Amended) A method using a computer-based postage system for printing a trackable first class mail piece identifier for a first class mail piece, said method comprising:

using the computer-based postage system for generating for printing on a remote printer in communication with a remote client computer, computer-based postage indicia for a particular first class mail piece in accordance with a postage printing request by a particular customer user of a plurality of customer users of the computer-based postage system, wherein the postage printing request comprises a delivery address;

using the computer-based postage system for generating a first class mail piece tracking identifier for the particular first class mail piece, wherein the first class mail piece tracking identifier comprises:

a mailing subscriber identifier corresponding to an authorization by a governmental postal authority to a computer-based postage provider associated with the computer-based postage system, to create for customer users of the computer-based postage system, machine-readable, graphic symbologies for tracking first class mail pieces,

a mailing identifier, and

a delivery address identifier corresponding to the delivery address,

wherein the delivery address is trackably unique within a combination of the mailing subscriber identifier and the mailing identifier during a particular period of time;

using the computer-based postage system for testing the first class mail piece tracking identifier to determine if the combination of the mailing subscriber identifier, the mailing identifier and the delivery address identifier would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time;

for the first class mail piece tracking identifier that would not trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time, using the computer-based postage system for modifying the mailing subscriber identifier and the mailing

identifier until the combination of the mailing subscriber identifier, the mailing identifier and the delivery address identifier would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time;

for the first class mail piece tracking identifier that would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time:

using the computer-based postage system for encoding the first class mail piece tracking identifier as a machine-readable barcode apart from computer-based postage indicia for the particular first class mail piece;

using the computer-based postage system for storing in a computer-accessible memory, a set of information relating the first class mail piece tracking identifier to the particular customer user; and

using the computer-based postage system for generating for printing, a printable format of the machine-readable barcode.

Claims 19-20.   Cancelled.

21.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 18, wherein the computer-based postage indicia is formatted for printing on a first label and wherein the first class mail piece tracking identifier is formatted for printing on a second label.

22.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 18, wherein the computer-based postage indicia and the first class mail piece tracking identifier are formatted for printing on an envelope.

23.   (Currently Amended) A method for retrieving tracking information corresponding to a trackable first class mail piece identifier using a computer-based postage system, said method comprising:

using the computer-based postage system for generating a preliminary first class mail piece tracking identifier according to information provided by a particular customer user regarding a mailing of a particular first class mail piece and according to an authorization by a governmental postal authority to a computer-based postage provider

associated with the computer-based postage system, to create for customer users of the computer-based postage system, separate from computer-based postage indicia, machine-readable, barcodes for tracking first class mail pieces, the preliminary first class mail piece tracking identifier comprising a plurality of elements;

using the computer-based postage system for testing the preliminary first class mail piece tracking identifier to determine whether the preliminary first class mail piece tracking identifier would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time;

for the preliminary first class mail piece tracking identifier that would not trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time, using the computer-based postage system for modifying one or more elements of the plurality of elements of the preliminary first class mail piece tracking identifier until the preliminary first class mail piece tracking identifier would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time;

for the preliminary first class mail piece tracking identifier that would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time, using the computer-based postage system for creating a machine-readable barcode, separate from postage indicia, comprising a representation of the preliminary first class mail piece tracking identifier;

using the computer-based postage system for retrieving, from a plurality of electronic first class mail piece identifier representations presented by a governmental postal authority, an electronic first class mail piece identifier representation, separate from postage indicia, said electronic first class mail piece identifier representation corresponding to a scanned machine-readable barcode comprising a scanned first class mail piece identifier,

using the computer-based postage system for searching a computer-accessible memory for that matches a particular first class mail piece identifier that matches the scanned first class mail piece identifier, said particular first class mail piece identifier that trackably identify[[ies]]ying a particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time and [[that]] correspond[[s]]ing to a particular customer user of a plurality of customer users of the computer-based postage system, said particular first class mail

piece identifier generated by the computer-based postage system according to an authorization by the governmental postal authority to a computer-based postage provider associated with the computer-based postage system, to create for customer users of the computer-based postage system, separate from computer-based postage indicia, machine-readable, barcodes for tracking first class mail pieces;

for a scanned first class mail piece identifier for which there is a match with a particular first class mail piece identifier, using the computer-based postage system for saving in the computer-accessible memory in an association with the particular first class mail piece identifier, scan event tracking information associated with the scanned first class mail piece identifier;

receiving a request by the particular customer user for tracking status information regarding the particular first class mail piece identifier;

searching the computer-accessible memory for the particular first class mail piece identifier; and

using the computer-based postage system for reporting to a display device in communication with a client computer corresponding to the particular customer user, a set of any scan event tracking information associated with the particular electronic first class mail piece identifier representation.

24.   (Currently Amended) A method for tracking individual outbound first class mail pieces using a computer-based postage system, said method comprising:

using the computer-based postage system for assigning a composite confirm identifier to a particular first class mail piece according to input by a particular mailer of a plurality of mailers that are customers of the computer-based postage system, wherein and according to an authorization by a postal authority to a computer-based postage provider associated with the computer-based postage system, to create for mailers that are customers of the computer-based postage system, machine-readable, barcodes for tracking first class mail pieces, said composite confirm identifier comprising a plurality of elements;

using the computer-based postage system for testing said composite confirm identifier to determine whether said composite confirm identifier would trackably

identify[[ies]] the particular mail piece during a particular period of time ~~and wherein the composite confirm identifier is assigned according to an authorization by a postal authority to a computer-based postage provider associated with the computer-based postage system, to create for mailers that are customers of the computer-based postage system, machine-readable, barcodes for tracking first class mail pieces~~;

for a composite confirm identifier that would not trackably identify the particular mail piece during the particular period of time, using the computer-based postage system for modifying at least one element of the plurality of elements comprising the composite confirm identifier until the composite confirm identifier would trackably identify the particular mail piece during the particular period of time;

for a composite confirm identifier that would trackably identify the particular mail piece during the particular period of time, using the computer-based postage system for relating the composite confirm identifier for the particular first class mail piece to the particular mailer;

for a composite confirm identifier that would trackably identify the particular mail piece during the particular period of time, using the computer-based postage system for encoding the composite confirm identifier as a machine-readable barcode, separate from postage indicia, according to the authorization by the postal authority;

for a composite confirm identifier that would trackably identify the particular mail piece during the particular period of time, using the computer-based postage system for receiving a scanning event about a mail piece corresponding to the composite confirm identifier scanned by the postal authority; and

using the computer-based postage system for reporting the scanning event to the particular mailer.

25.   (Currently Amended) ~~The method of Claim 1,~~ A computer-implemented method for a first class mail piece tracking provider to provide, to a plurality of customers of the first class mail piece tracking provider, tracking of individual outbound first class mail pieces respectively initiated in a mail stream by respective customers of the plurality of customers, said method implemented using a computer-based postage system programmed for operation on behalf of the first class mail piece tracking provider, said

computer-based postage system available for communication with each respective customer of the plurality of customers, said method comprising the computer-based postage system programmed for:

using the computer-based postage system for recording a plurality of mailing tracking subscriber identifiers assigned by a postal authority to the first class mail piece tracking provider, the plurality of mailing tracking subscriber identifiers corresponding to an authorization by the postal authority to the first class mail piece tracking provider to create machine-readable tracking graphic symobolgies, separate from postage indicia, for tracking first class mailings that bear machine-readable tracking graphic symobolgies created in accordance with the authorization by the postal authority to the first class mail piece tracking provider;

using the computer-based postage system for receiving, from a particular customer of the plurality of customers of the first class mail piece tracking provider, a request for postage indicia to mail a particular first class mail piece to a delivery address, wherein the request from the particular customer to mail the particular first class mail piece comprises an indication by the particular customer to provide tracking of the particular first class mail piece;

using the computer-based postage system for determining a delivery address identifier corresponding to the delivery address;

using the computer-based postage system for identifying from the plurality of mailing tracking subscriber identifiers, a next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier;

using the computer-based postage system for identifying a next available mailing identifier;

using the computer-based postage system for modifying at least one of the next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier and the next available mailing identifier, until determining a combination of a destination tracking service type, the next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier, the next available mailing identifier, and the delivery address identifier corresponding to the delivery address, to comprise a first class mail piece tracking identifier that would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time in accordance with the authorization by the

<u>postal authority to the first class mail piece tracking provider for tracking first class</u>

<u>mailings,</u> wherein the modifying process comprises:

using the computer-based postage system for testing a first combination of a destination tracking service type, the next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier, the next available mailing identifier, and the delivery address identifier corresponding to the delivery address, to determine whether the first combination would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time;

for a first combination that would not trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during the particular period of time, using the computer-based postage system for repeating the following steps until a combination is determined that would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time:

incrementing the next available mailing identifier until a maximum mailing identifier is exceeded or until the combination of the destination tracking service type, the next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier, the next available mailing identifier, and the delivery address identifier, would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time, whichever occurs first;

if the maximum mailing identifier is exceeded before the combination would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time, then:

selecting from the plurality of mailing subscriber identifiers a further next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier;

determining a next available mailing identifier; and

testing a further combination of a destination tracking service type, the further next available mailing tracking subscriber identifier, the next available mailing identifier, and the delivery address identifier corresponding to the delivery address, to determine whether the further combination would trackably identify the particular first class mail piece during a particular period of time;

<u>using the computer-based postage system for assigning the first class mail piece</u> <u>tracking identifier to the particular first class mail piece, wherein the first class mail piece</u> <u>tracking identifier trackably identifies the particular first class mail piece during the</u> <u>particular period of time;</u>

<u>using the computer-based postage system for creating a machine-readable</u> <u>tracking graphic symbology, separate from postage indicia, comprising the first class</u> <u>mail piece tracking identifier; and</u>

<u>using the computer-based postage system for relating the first class mail piece</u> <u>tracking identifier to the particular customer of the plurality of customers.</u>

26.   (Currently Amended) The method of encoding a unique mail piece identifier as a graphic symbology of Claim 10, said method further comprising:

accessing, <u>by the computer,</u> a plurality of electronic mail piece representations presented by the postal authority, each electronic mail piece representation of the plurality of electronic mail piece representations corresponding to a machine sensing of a machine-readable graphic symbology created in accordance with the authorization by the postal authority, and each electronic mail piece representation comprising an indication of a corresponding tracking identifier and a corresponding set of information regarding a status of a respective first class mail piece in a mail stream processed by the postal authority;

<u>determining, by the computer, whether a match exists between the tracking</u> <u>identifier for the particular mail piece and a corresponding tracking identifier for an</u> <u>electronic mail piece representation of the plurality of electronic mail piece</u> <u>representations;</u>

<u>for a match between the tracking identifier for the particular mail piece and a</u> <u>corresponding tracking identifier for an electronic mail piece representation of the</u> <u>plurality of electronic mail piece representations,</u> saving<u> information corresponding to</u> <u>said electronic mail piece representation</u> in a computer-accessible memory, ~~each~~ ~~electronic mail piece representation with~~ <u>comprising an indication of</u> the corresponding tracking identifier and the corresponding set of information regarding the status of the respective first class mail piece;

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~~searching the computer-accessible memory for a stored tracking identifier that matches the tracking identifier that trackably corresponds to the particular first class mail piece;~~

for a match between ~~a stored~~ the tracking identifier and the corresponding tracking identifier ~~that trackably corresponds to the particular first-class mail piece~~, reporting to the particular customer user, at least a portion of the corresponding set of information regarding the status of the particular first class mail piece; and

for [[a]]the tracking identifier for which no match is found, indicating that tracking status information was not found for the particular first class mail piece.